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MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

RESOLUTION

TARIFFS

New Delhi, the 13th November, 1963

No. 52(1)-Tar./62.—The Tariff Commission has submitted its Report on the Review of protection to the Dyestuff Industry on the basis of recommendation (1) in paragraph 2 accepted in paragraph 3 by Government of India, in the late Ministry of Commerce and Industry Resolution No. 78(1)-T.B./54, dated the 2nd February, 1955. Its recommendations are:—

- (1) Protection granted to the dyestuff industry should be continued for the remaining period of protection, that is, till 31st December, 1964 at the existing rates of duty.
- (2) The concessional duties at present leviable on the following intermediates should be continued till 31st December, 1964 when the position will be reviewed having regard also to the need for protection, if any, for such intermediates.—

1. Para Nitro Aniline
2. Para Amino Azo Benzene
3. Benzidine and Benzidine Dihydrochloride
4. Sodium Naphthionate and Naphthionic acid
5. Neville and Winther's Acid.
6. Rhoduline acid.
7. J. Acid urea
8. Para Amino Acetanilide
9. Dinitro Chlorobenzene
10. Meta Phenylene Diamine
11. Gamma Acid
12. Meta Toluylyene Diamine.
13. Chicago Acid
14. H—Acid
15. G—Salt
16. Laurent Acid
17. Alpha Naphthylamine
18. Anthraquinone.

19. Beta Amino Anthraquinone
 20. O—Anisidine
 21. P—Anisidine
 22. O—Toluidine
 23. O—Tolidine
- (3) Steps should be taken by Government to exempt Beta Naphthol from the payment of counter-vailing excise duty. Steps should also be taken to exempt dinitro benzene and dinitro toluene, from the payment of (1) so much of the import duty as in excess of 10 per cent *ad valorem* where the standard rate is leviable and (2) the whole of the duty where the preferential rate is leviable.
- (4) The existing concessional duty of 10 per cent *ad valorem* standard and 'nil' preferential on Sulphanilic Acid should be withdrawn with immediate effect and the original rates of duty, namely, 40 per cent *ad valorem* standard and 30 per cent *ad valorem* preferential re-imposed.
- (5) The existing concessional duty of 10 per cent *ad valorem* standard and 'nil' preferential on Beta Naphthylamine should be withdrawn with immediate effect and the original rates of duty, namely, 40 per cent *ad valorem* standard and 30 per cent *ad valorem* preferential re-imposed.
- (6) The rates of duty on following nine more specific intermediates which serve as basic raw materials for various dyes/intermediates, and are not likely to be manufactured by the end of 1964, should also be reduced to 10 per cent *ad valorem* standard and 'nil' preferential.
1. Ortho dichloro benzene
 2. Para Dichloro benzene
 3. Ortho nitro chloro benzene
 4. Meta Dinitro benzene
 5. 2:5-dichloro nitro benzene
 6. Dimethyl aniline
 7. Ortho nitro toluene
 8. Meta nitro toluene
 9. Dinitro toluene.

The concession should remain in force until 31st December, 1964, when the position should be reviewed.

- (7) The Indian Standards Institution, in consultation with producers, importers and the Development Council for Drugs, Dyes and Intermediates should take speedy steps to evolve standards of strength with reference to which the actual strength of indigenous or imported dyes can be determined.
- (8) Producers of organic and inorganic chemicals/intermediates such as nitro benzene, sulphanilic acid and methanol should, in their own interest, endeavour to improve the quality of their products.
- (9) Manufacturers of sodium sulphide should take steps to ensure that their product conforms to either I.S. or B.S. specifications.
- (10) Manufacturers of dyestuffs should examine their selling prices and ensure that they are maintained in fair relation to their costs of production.

2. Government accept recommendations (1) and (2). As the Tariff Commission has not recommended any change either in the existing *ad valorem* duty or in the existing period of protection, no legislation will be undertaken in Parliament.

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3. Government have taken note of recommendations (3) to (7) and steps will be taken to implement them as far as possible.
 4. The attention of the producers of organic and inorganic chemicals/intermediates is drawn to recommendation (8).
 5. The attention of the manufacturers concerned is drawn to recommendations (9) and (10).

ORDER

Ordered that the Resolution be published in the Gazette of India and a copy thereof communicated to all concerned.

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